Rexall Drug Hosting Book Signing Saturday

Rexall Drug in downtown Yankton will be hosting a pre-lease party and book signing for local author, Sara Watt, on Saturday,

March 16, running from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Watt, a 2011 Yankton High School graduate, is currently a second year student at the University of Sioux Falls. This, her first book entitled "Another Ending," published by Tate Publishing of Mustang, Okla., is a work of Christian fiction and is the first of a series of at least three books that she will be publishing.

The event will be open house style and all are invited to stop by to purchased a signed copy of the book, to discuss the work and to enjoy refreshments.

Spring Theology Institute Slated For Yankton

Yankton's Sacred Heart Monastery announces its Spring Theology Institute on Saturday, March 16, running from 9 a.m.-noon in the Monastery Chapter Room in Yankton. The Rev. Thomas Nairn. OFM, will present, "Moral Decisions at the End of Life: Bringing Comfort and Healing to the Sick, the Dying, and the Lonely."

Fr. Nairn is a Franciscan priest and is senior director of ethics for the Catholic Health Association of the United States. He holds a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago Divinity School and has taught in the U.S., Australia, Zimbabwe and Singapore. He has published many articles on health care ethics and has recently edited two volumes on Cardinal Bernardin's consistent ethic of life. He also provides ethics education for Avera leadership.

This Institute is third in the "Moral Matters" series on moral decision-making. Father Tom Nairn will focus on the moral principles surrounding health care decisions, focusing on end of life issues and their concrete application. His presentation should be of interest to all who have or will have to struggle with treatment decisions with family members, as well as medical professionals who work with terminal patients on a daily basis.

All are welcome to attend this free event. For planning purposes, register by e-mailing S. Marielle at mfrigge@mtmc.edu or calling 605-668-6000. For further information or to print out a flyer, you may find the Theology Institute page at http://www.yanktonbene-dictines.org/PC_TheologyInstitute.html.

Gospel Quartet To Perform In Springfield Sunday

SPRINGFIELD — The gospel quartet Kenley and the Udders will perform at the Springfield Community Bible Church, Springfield, at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, March 17.

A free-will offering will be asked. For more information, call 605-369-2371.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner Planned For Yankton

"Fermenting Faith" will be have its annual St. Patrick's Dinner on Sunday, March 17, at Christ Episcopal Church, 517 Douglas, Yankton. Serving for this traditional Irish meal will be 5-7 p.m. To reserve tickets, call 665-2456

Alaskan Pollock Dinner Set For Tyndall

TYNDALL — A Bon Homme Knights of Columbus Alaskan Pollock Dinner will be held at the Father Cronin Center in Tyndall on Friday, March 22, from 5-7 p.m.

The menu will feature an all-you-can-eat Alaskan Pollock Fish Fry, with salads, desserts, juice and coffee. The fish will be cooked in peanut oil.

For more information, contact Roger Hisek at rshisek@hotmail.com or visit www.stleotyndall.com .

CDA Set To Host Fish Fry In Parkston

PARKSTON — The Catholic Daughters of the Americas' (CDA) sixth annual All You Can Eat Fish Fry is being held on Friday, March 22, from 5-7 p.m. at the Parkston Sacred Heart Parish Center. This is being sponsored by Catholic Daughter's #280 of Sacred Heart Park-

The menu includes Pollack fish, deep fried or baked, baked potato or potato wedges, coleslaw, buns and Jell-O Dream Cake.

Churches Seeing Sunday School Decline

Associate Pastor, First United Methodist Church

There was time when going to Sunday school was an important part of the family's Sunday morning schedule. I can remember as an elementary student, my father and mother began preparing us for Sunday morning. That included Dad taking charge of polishing our shoes; four sets of shoes he had to clean up before bedtime, and Mom ironed our "Sunday going to church" shirts and my sister's dress. When we arrived at church, Dad always made sure we had money to put in the Sunday school

How times have changed, and getting our youth to Christian education classes on Sunday morning doesn't appear to be a high priority. Going to church on Sunday mornings in years gone by was truly observing Sunday as the Sabbath, which included spending the morning in Sunday school and worship service. Now, let me mention that all churches and parents don't necessarily fall into this category. There are parents who find it necessary that their children receive a solid Christian education

get older and mature. they have solid fountain as older high schoolers and young adults. Usually in most churches the Sunday school program ran parallel with the school year. Many Sunday schools begin at the end of August or first of September and end when school is dismissed in May

One of the unfortunate delimna faced by churches today is the declining population of members and attendees. With this decline comes the reduction in the number of youth coming to the church. Also, over time we've even seen a decline in the number of adults who want to or can teach Sunday school. So, the result is when the numbers reach a certain level, be it the children or the teachers, the Sunday school ministry shuts down.

The decline in Sunday schools appears to be gradual, but steady. A study by the Barna Group indicated that in 2004 churches were 6% less likely to provide Sunday school for children ages 2 to 5 as in 1997. For



school in 2004 from 93% in 1997. Similarly, there was a six-percentage-point drop in Sunday schools offered for high school kids to 80% from 86%. All in all, about 20,000 fewer churches were maintaining Sunday-school classes. And the future does not look bright:

decline was to 86%

providing Sunday

Even, the clergy in churches are a consideration for the stability of Sunday school. Only 15% of ministers regarded Sunday school as a leading concern. The younger the pastor, the study showed, the less emphasis he/she placed on Sunday school.

As noted earlier, fewer children are having that experience. There are numerous reasons for the decline in children in our churches; (1) High Priority: we are experiencing a decline in the number of adults (parents) coming to church, which in turn, children aren't being made to come to church or Sunday school; (2) Family Conflicts: were seeing an increase in the increase of activities and events that are causing

whether to attend church (Sunday school). How many times do we see our youth pulled away from church for sporting events? Also, is the content factor; the Sunday school activities that we enjoyed in years gone by, probably won't fly with today's busier and more sophisticated kids.

If Sunday school is to thrive, parental involvement in necessary - someone has to say "go' to church! Our youth need direction from the parents, and since we see more of youth affected by divorced parents, both parents need to agree on the importance of their child participating in a Christian education program.

One other factor that is so critical if Sunday school is to survive in the long haul-the support from the church leadership. Churches need to realize the Sunday school is the future for growing our Christian-educated members. While churches today strive to identify other programs to meet the needs of all age levels, Christian education can be overlooked or undervalued. It needs to stay a high priority if we hope to continue helping it make

Business Community Prayer Breakfast To Be Held At Mount Marty College

Mount Marty College and the Yankton Kiwanis Club are holding their 24th annual Business Community Prayer Breakfast on Tuesday, March 26. The event entitled, "Ethics in the Business World," is an opportunity for members of the Yankton business community to gather during Holy Week to discuss the importance of ethics in day to day business functions. It will be held on the Mount Marty College campus in the recently remodeled Roncalli Center Main Dining Room

Dr. Pamela J. Rezac, president and CEO of Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, will be the guest speaker at the event. Dr. Rezac, joined Avera Sacred Heart Hospital in 1997. Prior to her appointment as President, she served as the Vice President of Health Care Services for Avera Health. She also served as Vice President of

Patient Care and then Vice President of Administration at Avera Sacred Heart Hospital from 1980

Dr. Rezac received a Registered Nurse diploma from Methodist School of Nursing/Dakota Wesleyan University, Mitchell, South Dakota; a Bachelor of Science Degree, and Master of Health Care Degree in Health Care Administration both from the University of Minnesota; and her Doctorate in Adult and Higher Education, with concentration in organizational dynamics and change process in 1996 from the University of South

Dr. Rezac is a Fellow of the American College of Health Care Executives (ACHE). She was the state regent to ACHE for four years. She has served as an adjunct professor at Mount Marty College and the University of

Chair of the South Dakota Association of Health Care Organizations governing board. She was recently appointed to the national Joint Commission Hospital Advisory Council and Joint Quality Collaborative Council of the South Dakota Medical Association and the South Dakota Hospital Association. She is the Chairperson of the Yankton Area Progressive Growth Board, a member of the Yankton Economic Development Council and the Regional Technical Educational Board. In addition to the guest

speaker, the event will feature a musical selection by the Mount Marty music department. An RSVP is requested by March 22. Ouestions and RSVPs can be directed to 605-668-1390 or to pschaefer@mtmc.edu.

Palm Sunday Concert Slated For United Church Of Christ

Mark you calendar now for it's a tradition in Yankton to attend the Palm Sunday concert at the United Church of Christ (Congregational) located at 5th & Walnut.

The concert will begin at 4 p.m. The 40-plus voice adult choir is directed by Jennifer Powell and rehearsal pianist is Ted Powell. Accompanying the group will be a brass ensemble and organ. The choir will be doing 'Great Hymn of the Church' this year,' which will include such favorites as How Great Thou Art, Lift Up Your Heads O Mighty Gates, Abide With Me, Steal Away, Be Thou My Vision, When I survey the Wondrous Cross, Fairest Lord Jesus, spirituals and others. Everyone is welcome. A reception will follow the concert in Pilgrim Hall.

CHURCH SCHEDULES

Abundant Life

ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES. Pastors Butch and Barbara Hladky. 517 Burleigh, Yankton. 665-0889. Open for prayer daily. FRI Shabbat Service 6pm Youth Service 7pm. SUN. 10am Worship.

Alliance of Renewal Churches

LIVING WATER CHRISTIAN FEL-LOWSHIP, Sun. 10am Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry) Weds. 7pm Prayer. David Olson, pastor. (605)260-2138.

Assembly of God

First Assembly of God, 801 W 25th. (605)665-6362 (office). SUN. 10 am: Bible teaching sermons WED. 6:30pm Midweek service and Bible study for all ages. www.yanktonassembly.com

Baptist

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH, 100 E. Douglas, Kevin Caskey, pastor, 665-0066. SUN. 9:30am Sunday School, 10:45pm Preaching Service, 4pm Preaching Service. THU. 7pm Preaching Service.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, 303 Ohio St., Wakonda. Mike Lindsay, pastor, (605)759-5020. SUNDAY 11:00a.m. 6:00pm WEDNESDAY Bible Study

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CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, SUNDAY: 9:00 Sunday School for all ages. 10:30 Worship Service. MONDAY: Service broadcast 7:30pm Channels 3 & 98. WEDNESDAY 6:30pm AWANA, 7-8th Grade Youth Group: 7:00pm 9-12th Youth Group, Adult Bible Study. Pastor Jon Cooke, Associ-Slattery. www.cbchurch.com 2407 Broadway, (605)665-5594.



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YANKTON BAPTIST CHURCH, SBC, 607 East 15th St., Yankton, 665-7587. SUN. 9:30am Bible study, SS; 10:45am Worship. WED. 7pm Midweek service

Bible Church

GRACE BIBLE CHURCH, 10:30 am Sundays Call Pastor Joel Finck more information.

Catholic

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CE-DAR COUNTY (Sts. Peter & Paul), Bow Valley, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen (402)357-2400. Mass: Saturdays

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CE-DAR COUNTY (Sacred Heart), Wynot, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass times, Sundays 11am

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CE-DAR COUNTY (Immaculate Conception), St. Helena, NE. Rev. Eric (402)357-2400. Mass: Sundays 9am

MOUNT MARTY COLLEGE, Peace Chapel, MMC campus. SUN. 10am Mass with the Sisters in the Bishop Marty Chapel. Public is welcome to attend.

SACRED HEART, 509 Capital, Yankton, Rev. Mark Lichter pastor. 665-3655 (office). SAT. 4:30pm Mass. SUN. 8am, 9:30am, 11am Mass. THUR. 12:30pm, 2:30pm and 7:30pm Confessions.

ST. AGNES PARISH: SIGEL, rural Utica. SAT. 4pm Mass, confessions 1/2 hour before Mass.Father Daniel

ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, Bloomfield, NE. Fr. Michael Schmitz SUN. Mass: 10:30am; TUE. Mass: 8am; THUR. Mass: 7pm. Confessions: THUR. 6:30-6:55pm.

CATHOLIC BENEDICT CHURCH, 1500 St. Benedict Drive, Yankton, Father Ken Lulf, 664-6214 (church). Masses: SAT. 5pm. SUN. 8:30am&10:30am.

BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH, Menominee, Neb., Rev. David Fulton, pastor. SUN. 8:30am

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ST. COLUMBA CHURCH, rural Irene/Mayfield. March WEEKEND Mass Saturdays 4:30 pm. Holy week: Holy Thursday, March 28th at 7:00pm. Good Friday, March 29th at 5:00pm. Easter Vigil, March 30th at 8:00 pm.

ST. GEORGE CHURCH, Scotland. SD. Sundays 9:30 am. March WEEKEND Mass. Sundays 9:30am.Holy week: Holy Thursday, March 28th at 7:00pm Good Friday, March 29th at 5:00pm Easter Vigil March 30th at 8:00pm Easter Sunday, March 31st at 10:00am.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHO-LIC. Fordyce, Neb. Rev. David Fulton. SUN. 10:30am Mass.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHO-LIC, Lesterville. SUN. 10:30am Mass. Father Daniel Moris.

JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, Constance, Neb., Fr. David Fulton, pastor. SAT. Mass: 7:30pm.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC, Wak-Scott Trayner, onda, Rev. Scott Tray 624-2697. SUN. 8:30am Mass.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA, Crofton, Neb. Fr. Michael Schmitz. SAT. Mass: 8:00am & 5:30pm. SUN. Mass: WED/FRI Masses: Confessions: 8:15am. WED. 11am-11:30am, SAT. 5-5:20pm.

WENCESLAUS. Tabor. (605)463-2336. Father Daniel Moris. SAT. 7pm Mass. SUN. 8:30am Mass.

THE HOUSE OF MARY SHRINE. 6-mi. W. Yankton, Hwy.52. Masses: Monday 8:30 through October. Masses Saturday 9:00 every Saturday. Rosary Sunday 4:00. Rosary 4:00. Open 7 days a week for prayer. thehouseofmaryshrine.org

Christian

KINGSWAY CHRISTIAN Church, 19th & Burleigh, 665-6317. Joseph Mason, Pastor. 9am-SS; Worship 10:15am. Wed.- 7pm Kids Christ/Adult Bible Study. www.kingswaychristianyankton.org

Church of Christ

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 1114 West 12th, Yankton, 665-6379. SUN. 9:30am Bible study; classes for all ages. 10:30am Worship.

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Church of Jesus Christ

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER-DAY SAINTS. 2300 Douglas, Yankton. Michael Maxwell (402)586-2645 Family History Ctr 665-0901, SUN, 10am Sacrament

Episcopal

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 517 Douglas, Yankton. Rev. James Pearson, (605)665-2456. Sunday 9:00 Serenity; 10:15 Holy Eucharist and Sunday School. Wednesday Noon Holy Eucharist; 6:00 Soup Supper and Study.

Evangelical

Cornerstone Evangelical Church. Pastor Oliver Omanson, Stewart Elementary School: Morning Serv ice 10 a.m. Wednesday College Bible Study 1306 Maple Street. Mike Stevens 665-8750.

EMMANUEL CHURCH We gather together for worship every Sunday at 9:30AM at the Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry Street). (605)665-0404 www.emmanuelyankton.com

Lutheran

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH NALC: 305 W. 25th. Yankton, 665-8848. Rev. Dani Jo Ninke. SUN: 8:30am & 10:45 Worship, 9:45 Sunday School.

UNITED LUTHERAN, 44874 303rd St., Volin SD 57072, (605)267-2277. SUN. Worship Services 9:30am. Children's Education WED. Evening (WOW) 6:30-7:30pm.

FIRST AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH, AFLC 300 S. Carpenter St., Tripp. (605)935-6941 9:30am Sunday School; SUN. 10:45 Worship firsthope@santel.net

GAYVILLE-BERGEN LUTHERAN Pastor Ralph Eabert. (605)267-4342 (church) Church: 9:00am-GLC Worship, 10:15-SS, 9:15am-BLC SS, 10:30am-BLC

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

AFLC 200 South Wilson, Delmont. (605)935-6941. SUN 9am Worship. Sunday firsthope@santel.net Martinus Lutheran Church, Utica,

Service (605)589-3195 www.MartinusLutheran.org

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Lutheran

OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN. rural Irene. 263-3724. SUN. 9am

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN. LCMC/NALC, Menno. Pastor Theresa Jacobson 605-387-5241 Worship 9am, Brunch, SS 10:20am.

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN, LCMS, 12th and Elm, Springfield. Rev. Kenneth Johnson, pastor. 8am Worship 9am SS. THUR. 7pm Adult Bible study.

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Wisconsin Synod, 201 E. 25th Street, Yankton. Pastor Christian (605)665-4793. Sunday 9:15 am Worship; 10:15 am Bible Study.

South Dakota Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, MAIN STREET LIVING television program, 10a.m. (CST) on KDLT-NBC; and 11a.m. (CST) on KAUN-PAX; and 10a.m. (MST) on KKRA-PAX.

St. John Lutheran Church, Tyndall. Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sunday Divine Service: 8:30am (605)589-3195. www.StJohnsTyndallLCMS.org

JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS), 1009 Jackson. David Gunderson, Pastor. SUN. 8am Worship, 9:15am Education Hour, 10:30am Worship.

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Saturday-5:30, Sunday-8:15./10:45 a.m.; SS, classes. Coffee fellowship-9:30a.m. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Hartington/Crofton, NE, Amanda

Jertson pastor: (402)254-6606.

SUN. 9am Worship (Hartington),

10am SS (Hartington), 11am Wor-

ship (Crofton). TRONDHJEM LUTHERAN CHURCH (AFLC), rural Volin. 263-3841. SUN. 9:15am; 10:30am

VANGEN LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mission Hill. 665-5426. Worship

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Presbyterian

PEACE PRESBYTERIAN (PC/USA), 206 E. 31st. 665-0448. Sun-10am worship, Coffee to follow. SS for kids 10:30am. Aired at 8pm Fri. on Ch. 3 & 98.

Reformed RIVERVIEW REFORMED, 17th St.

& Burleigh, Rev. Rodney Veldhuizen, pastor. 665-9204. SUN. 9:30am Worship, 10:15am SS. WED. Youth group & adult choir. Seventh-Day

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Locust St., Yankton, 665-1032, Services: Saturday 9:30am & 11am. Pastor Nick Osborn (605)760-7791. Yankton Fruit Program. yanktonfruitprogram.org

United Church

CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Newcastle, Neb., 303 Highway 12, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SAT. 6PM Church 7PM Worship. Second THUR. 2PM Ladies Aid.

CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST. 301 W. Franklin, Hartington, NE, (402) 254-6563 or 664-5310, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SUN. 8:15am Church school, 9am Worship.

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL **UCC,** 103 S. Elm St., Coleridge, Neb., (402) 283-4824 or 664-5310, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SUN. 9:30am Church School, 10:30am

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST. (Congregational) 210 West 5th St. Yankton. (605)665-7320 Dr. Richard W. Jensen, Pastor. SUN.-10am 11am-Fellowship, Worship, 11:05am Church School.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Crofton, Neb., 412 W. Main St., (402)388-4124. Pastor Les Parmenter. SUN. 10:00am Worship.

United Methodist FIRST UNITED METHODIST,

Yankton, Rev. Ron Johnson Pastor. 665-2991. Sunday, Contemporary Worship 9:00; Trad. 10:30. Childcare 8:45-11:45. 8:30 UM



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GAYVILLE-VOLIN UNITED METH-**ODIST,** Rick Pittenger, pastor. 624-2179. 9am Worship Service. 10:00am Sunday School.

WAKONDA, IRENE, VIBORG, UNITED METHODIST. Pastor Mark Gronseth. SUN. 8:30am Worship at Wakonda; 9:45am Worship at Irene; 11am Worship at Viborg.

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